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Mr. David Keith
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RE: Draft Final RI/FS Work Plan
San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund Site

Dear Mr. Keith:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has completed its review and approves of the *Draft Final Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Work Plan* (dated October 2010) for the San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund Site. The Respondents are authorized to implement this work plan and provide the Final version to EPA and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

In addition, the EPA will provide site specific Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) process directions that need to be followed by Respondents in the implementation of the RI/FS. The first site specific RI/FS process direction is enclosed with this letter.

Please feel free to contact me at (214) 665-8409, or by email at tzhone.stephen@epa.gov, if there are any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stephen L. Tzhone", is written over a horizontal line.

Stephen L. Tzhone
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Enclosure

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EPA SITE SPECIFIC RI/FS PROCESS DIRECTIONS
SAN JACINTO WASTE PITS SUPERFUND SITE

DATE: November 2, 2010

- 1) The Site's contaminated materials are not limited to only sediments. Contaminated materials associated with the Site will need to be delineated as to their nature and extent of contamination and determined whether they are principal threat wastes or low level threat wastes.
- 2) The EPA TCRA Dispute Resolution Decision Document (October 18, 2010) defines the waste pits associated with the TCRA (i.e., identified impoundments north of I-10) as source material. Therefore, for the purpose of the RI/FS, these source materials are to be considered as principal threat wastes.
- 3) EPA's Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation (EPA OSRTI) hosts a website on Dioxin, including EPA and non-EPA references on policy and guidance, detection and site characterization, and treatment technologies. All EPA references associated with policy and guidance, detection and site characterization, and treatment technologies must be included as references for the RI/FS and the information contained within these references are to be considered for the RI/FS.

The EPA OSRTI website on Dioxin is found here:

<http://www.clu-in.org/contaminantfocus/default.focus/sec/Dioxins/cat/Overview/>